

# COVID-19 Update Alabama Department of Public Health February 8, 2021

# Getting COVID-19 vaccine into the arms of Alabamians as quickly as possible is our goal.

ADPH is conducting clinics daily, including drive-though clinics in some counties. Limited vaccine remains the greatest challenge in Alabama and other states.

COVID-19 Cases—473,348

COVID-19 Deaths—8,523

COVID-19 Hospitalizations (as of February 7)—43,225

Beginning today, vaccine eligibility expands to include phase 1b and people 65 years and older. The Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan outlines the various phases, and is available here: www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

Average 1st Doses of Vaccine Shipped to Alabama Per Week—60,000 to 70,000

Vaccine Doses Administered—473,199

Vaccine Doses Delivered to Alabama—928,875

Alabama Healthcare Providers Enrolled—883

### **Be Aware That Vaccine Shortages Remain**

Many county health departments are no longer offering first doses of COVID-19 vaccines and are currently administering only second doses to those people at highest risk and whose shots are already scheduled. This is due to the limited supply of vaccine. Please be patient and wait to schedule your own vaccination appointment if you have no underlying health issues or have limited contact with other people. Showing consideration for others will allow your neighbors who may be at higher risk to schedule their COVID-19 vaccinations.

#### **Large Scale Mass Vaccination Clinics in 8 Alabama Locations**

8 large scale mass vaccination clinics start today throughout the state. Clinics are located in Anniston, Birmingham, Dothan, Huntsville, Mobile, Montgomery, Selma, and Tuscaloosa. The goal is for each location to give 1,000 vaccines per day, totaling 40,000 doses administered. Some sites require preregistration, and not all sites may have availability. Additional information about each location is available here <a href="https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/mass-clinics.html">www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/mass-clinics.html</a>

#### We Ask You To Be Patient and Thank the Volunteers

Please be patient as you participate in mass vaccination clinics taking place throughout the state. The vaccination efforts are being supported by volunteers that are working hard to take care of their communities. We ask that you understand that patience is needed as they work to vaccinate thousands of people throughout the week.

## **Vaccination Eligibility Check and Scheduling Portal**

Visit <u>www.alcovidvaccine.gov</u> to schedule available vaccine appointments, access a map of drive-through and walk-in locations, and sign up to be notified as new priority groups are available to receive vaccine.